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#### A Remarkable Record.

Just 21 years ago a new law firm was established in St. Johnsbury when Wendell P. Stafford, fresh from laurels won at the Boston University law school became a member of the firm of Belden, Ide & Stafford. It was recognized everywhere as one of the ablest law firms in the state, though the partnership was soon terminated by the removal of the senior partner to the northwest. A generation has grown up in St. Johnsbury since that time, but in this time high judicial honors have come to each member of that trio, and no one doubts but what succeeding years will bring to each of them still further advancement. Hon. Henry C. Belden removed to Minneapolis and became judge of the district court of Hennepin county, the highest trial court in Minnesota. Hon. Henry C. Ide was appointed land commissioner of Samoa and later chief justice of those islands. When the United States found | the bench of the supreme court of the that a colonial policy had to be devel- District of Columbia is a recognition by oped, he was naturally selected for the Philippine service where he is now secretary of justice and finance on the Philippine commission and vice-governor of will lose a member who has contributed the islands. The junior member of this firm was just past his majority when he entered it, represented St. Johnsbury in the legislature when he was 31, and before he was 40 years old was appointed one of the judges of the supreme court of Vermont. Now a higher honor has come to this brilliant and scholarly jurist, and he has no heartier congratulations over the appointment than from his friends in the town where he has lived for the past

## St. Johnsbury Has a Candidate.

The promotion of Judge Stafford to the supreme court of the District of Columbia will leave a vacancy in the Vermont supreme court bench which Gov. McCullough will have to fill, and the Caledonia county bar have united on Harry Blodgett and will urge his appointment. Mr. Blodgett has been a member of the Vermont bar since 1873, and is generally recognized as one of the most learned attorneys in this section of the state. He was state's attorney for two terms and one of the Caledonia county senators in 1898, serving on the most important committees in the legislature, the judiciary and railroad committees. Besides being splendidly equipped for the position, there is a geographical fitness in the appointment, as, after Judge Stafford's retirement, there will be no judge on the bench from either Orleans, Essex or Caledonia counties. St. Johnsbury is the natural center for each of these counties and the next each of these counties and the next thought and better doing that the old judge ought to be appointed from this state needs so much. There are plenty

Col. E. C. Benton of Boston has been elected one of the delegates at large to the republican national convention in a contest which was full of interesting features. Col. Benton was an easy winner in the Massachusetts convention, and his many Messenger. friends in St. Johnsbury and Essex county will extend congratulations over this recognition of his loyalty to the party as well as his ability.

Blodgett.

The Vermont delegation at the Chicago convention may have a chance to vote for a distinguished Vermonter for vicepresident, as Washington gossip now points to Secretary of the Treasury Shaw as Mr. Roosevelt's running mate. Mr. Shaw has made a record in the treasury department and comes from a state that has furnished some notable public men for the Roosevelt adminis-

Is the editor of the Burlington Free Press aspiring to be a humorist as well

#### County Politics.

There is little change in the local political situation from what was outlined in these columns a month ago. It is now definitely announced that Col. T. C. Fletcher will not be a candidate for senator, which leaves the field clear for Lawyer Slack. W. H. Taylor of Hardwick will not be a candidate for senator, neither will his partner, Lawyer Dutton, enter the lists for state's attorney. But Hardwick will have a candidate for the latter office, as Melvin G. Morse, the present state's attorney, is a candidate for re-election. The St. Johnsbury correspondent of the Lyndon Union has been giving brief sketches of the various candidates for state's attorney, and last week's paper had the following about Lawyer Thompson:

"Frank D. Thompson, of the law firm of Porter & Thompson, is a candidate for state's attorney, seeking the republican nomination. Mr. Thompson is a young lawyer of ability, a graduate with honors from the Boston University law school, and stood third in his class for admission to the bar. He is a careful, conservative young lawyer, who uses good judgment in his practice, endeavoring always to avoid rather than excite litigation. Mr. Thompson is well qualified to serve the public in the office for which he aspires, and if he receives the nomination and election will make the public a good officer."

Among the names mentioned for delegates to the national democratic convention are Elisha May of this place, N. A. Bullard, of Burlington, E. J. Tiffany, of Bennington, and C. W. Melcher of Barre. This would make a good strong team for Judge Parker as it is believed that these men favor him. The democratic state convention will be held at Burlington June 22.

A Rutland despatch to the Boston Herald says that chestnuts were planted in that city last week and that this is the first time that this variety of trees has ever been seen there. That will hardly be believed by the readers of the Rutland Herald who have sometimes detected a chesnutty flavor in its columns.

This "spontaneous" newspaper boom for Mr. DeBoer, who has previously emphatically declined to be a candidate for governor, need not disturb the friends of Candidate Bell. They know it is merely a case of "You press the button; we do the rest."

#### Judge Stafford's Appointment.

The appointment of Judge Wendell P. Stafford of the Vermont supreme court to the President of one of the most brilliant men in Vermont, and, if he accepts the new position, the judiciary of his state much to its dignity and the soundness of its decisions, as well as literary character to its opinions. Judge Stafford is an honest, independent, forceful man, of rare gifts as an orator and writer, and a thorough legal scholar. He has long been regarded by those who know him as not the sort of a man to be shelved or sidetracked, but destined to achieve national prominence if he lives. It may be questioned whether the appointment vesterday can really be considered a promotion from the position he now occupies. It may, however, lead to some higher position later, as was the case with Judge Pritchard, who has been promoted to the United States circuit bench, and it ought not to remove Judge Stafford from consideration when the time comes for Vermont to select a new United States senator.-[Springfield (Mass.) Republican.

## More of His Kind Needed in Vermont

The promotion of Judge Wendell P. Stafford of the supreme court of Vermont to be a justice of the supreme court of the District of Columbia will remove from the activities of a state that sadly needs more of his kind of men a promising young jurist whose career has thus far reflected credit upon the bar and the bench, to say nothing of the good old New England influences under which he

was reared. Judge Stafford is of that type of the younger generation that is taking his profession and his responsibilities to the public and to the state seriously, and that is putting forward a constant endeavor to live such a life of modest usefulness as may not only be faithful to the traditions of the fathers, but serve present interests in their turn and belp to give that impetus to better town, and his name ought to be Harry | more like bim, of course, and his plate will be filled, but it is a great pity that the resources of this little state are not sufficient to offer greater inducemene than they do for her deserving sons to remain with her and share their successes

with her. But opportunity has knocked at Judge Stafford's door, and joy go with him as he answers the summons.-[St. Albans

## Couldn't Be Side Tracked.

Vermont is well honored, and a man who deserved anything but the side track gets recognition in the appointment of Wendell P. Stafford of the Vermont supreme court to the bench of the supreme court of the District of Columbia. Judge Stafford is a man gifted as an orator and a writer, and a thorough legal scholar. It is not really a promo tion, but it takes a brilliant man into a position and men of his own profession, where he will be more likely to make himself felt.-[Boston Record.

# Adorned and Dignified the Beuch.

Hon. Wendell Phillips Stafford's promotion by appointment to the bench of the Supreme court of the District of Columbia will be learned with feelings of pleasure through Vermont. Mr. Stafford has been an able lawyer, a prominent citizen and a man who took a broad and intelas framer of party platforms? Here, for ligent interest in public affairs. As a judge instance, is a flattering notice of Judge | be has adorned and dignified the bench of Stafford, but he is called a successful Vermont. In his new position his friends warranted in ass are warranted in assuming that he will add to his present enviable reputation.

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### OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

Congress of the D. A. R .- Interesting Summary of the Proceedings-Conesional Doings-A Sugar Party by the Vermont Association.

(From our Washington correspondent.) The Daughters of the American Revolution voted last year to change the date of their continental congress from Pebruary 22 to April 18, hence the delegates from all over the United States assembled upon that day in Chase's Opera House to open the 13th congress. The weather was propitious and so numerous were the delegates that the auditorium could not accommodate them all, so they were assigned to the two front rows in the first balcony and the alternates were seated behind them. There has been an increase of 4.750 members since February last, so the enrolled membership stands as 47,455 while the real membership was given as 40,264. Many members have either died or withdrawn from the society. More than 2,000 persons were gathered together upon the opening session to hear the President's address. Mrs. Teunis Hamlin led in prayer and Percy Foster opened with "The Star Spangled Banner." Mrs. Charles W. Fairbanks, the president, reported the past year as one of the most successful in the history of the society. She referred to the historic date of the anniversary of the battles of Lexington and Concord, April 19, 1775, when the men of Lexington made the armed protest against the representatives of tyranny 129 years ago. No date has left so indelible an imprint upon the world's history as that one, and hereafter it will be a significant one for the society as the day for the laying of the corner stone of Memorial Hall.

About 40 chapters have been formed since the last congress and 39 real daughters have joined the society. She had visited many state conferences and special meetings and she declared that those tours would ever be a beautiful page in memory. Many historical spots had been marked and some monuments had been raised. Through the Smithsonian Institution some exhibits of the Daughters will be sent to the Louisiana Purchase Exposition. She received frequent applause during the delivery of her address which was given without any written notes.

Mrs. M. P. Peck of Iowa had the felt to be an honor. In the name of the delegates and members she expressed a fered and died for the freedom of our rehope that this would be the most har- public. monious and profitable one ever held. It was stated there were 272 delegates accredited to the congress, 47 state regents, 687 chapter regents and 30 national officers, who were expected to form the voting membership in the congress. There were 10 proposed amendments to the constitution and two to the by-laws. The consideration of them was taken up at an early date in the proceedings. They evidently did not meet with the general approbation of the society. There was spirited opposition to the resolution to have a vice-presidentgeneral at large from the army and navv. This was called class legislation and did not pass. Mrs. Mary S. Lockwood and Miss Mary Desha both objected to being retired as bonorary life vice-presidentgenerals of the society. Mrs. Lockwood preferred to have the amendment withdrawn and Miss Desha wished it voted down-it was withdrawn-in fact the first five amendments were all voted down and the ones to constitute a state board of arbitration to which all matters could be referred for discussion and final settlement were also voted down as

taking the legislative power from the Any motion to reduce the amount of dues to the national society always meets with strong and decided opposition in Washington. Mrs. Donald Mc-Lean of New York, regent of the great New York city chapter, supported the 10th amendment, which was that no amendment to an amendment should be acted upon by the same congress in which it is proposed. It has been suggested that an amendment shall not be brought up only once in two years hereafter, so this did not pass. And some of the delegates objected to bringing in so many amendments to the constitution yearly and wasting time in discussion and then voting them down or to lay on the table; but they claim that they are aiming to perfect the constitution. The discussion of the second by-law occasioned some amusement-of how and when the official or recognition pin of the society shall be worn. Some wore it as a pin and some as a buckle at the belt. but it was suggested that hereafter it should be worn on the left breast. A reception was given to the members of the D. A. R. congress at the Corcoran art gallery upon Monday from 9 to 11 p. m. The evening was mild and beautiful, so there was an unusually large assemblage of daughters handsomely gowned. Several of the vice presidents general of Wisconsin. As a Senator's wife she took turns in introducing Mrs. Fairbanks to the large company, being relieved each half hour, and Mrs. Fairbanks changed her position so as to shake hands the first of the time with her right hand and then with her left. For the first time we noticed the American flag was draped over the gallery where the receiving party were stationed. The exercises of laying the corner-stone of Memorial hall were set for Tuesday afternoon at 2 30 p. m, April 19, in commemoration of the battles of Lexington and account of the work accomplished for Concord. The lot where the D. A. R. Continental Hall and stated she was

was filled with the officers and prominent guests. It was draped with flags and festoons, and medallions wreathed in green containing the names of the former president generals were suspended in front. Thirty Sons of the American Revolution acted as usbers and presented the handsome souvenir programs, issued in blue and gilt, containing the picture of the proposed Continental hall. The Marine band opened the exercises by playing the march, "My Own United States," and the audience rose and sang "My Country 'Tis of Thee.' Then Dr. Edward E. Hale invoked the Divine blessing and the Children of the American Revolution saluted the flag, and after the singing of "The Star Spangled Banner" Mrs. Fairbanks delivered

her address. The first of the afternoon a strong wind sprang up and it blew a high gale during the exercises, which were quite lengthy, being under the auspices of the Grand Lodge, F. A. M., District of Columbia. It took some time to deposit the various articles in the carazion with Masonic rites. "The Marseillaise" was rendered by the U. S. A. Engineers' band. The dedicatory prayer by Mrs. Teunis S. Hamlin followed. There were many greetings to be given by the founders and and prominent ladies, but the wind-gale was so severe that they adjourned to Chase's opera house after the cornerstone, which came from Vermont, was duly deposited, and there the exercises

were concluded. Mrs. M. S. Lockwood, one of the founders, addressed them as "Citizens of the Republic." Men became citizens de facto when they resolved there should be no taxation without representation. When the first presidents were elected, she said, the question of citizenship was settled for men and women. The Deborah Sampsons, Moll Pitchers, Abigail Adams and others who sewed a flag or twirled a distaff, sent food and clothing to the half starved soldiers, worked the farms through the revolutionary struggle, did more than to pay the taxes. Another notable day was when the financial policy of Secretary Chase made greenbacks legal tender in the treasury. Men did not readily cut the sheets of greenbacks like women and General Spinner thought it a good business venture to employ women, as he could hire them much cheaper, and thus a pair of scissors cut the way for the new citizendelightful task of responding, which she ship of women. The flag which will float from Memorial hall will be a daily reminder of that citizenship which suf-

> Many other short addresses followed. A resolution against Mormonism was passed almost unanimously with the exception of one no, and that was Mrs. Ida H. Harper, delegate from California and a newspaper woman and suffragist. An appeal was made to save the historic houses of Washington on Lafayette Square. There have been 430 marriages of members recorded during the year Mrs. A. P. Shute, the treasurer-general reported the finances had a balance in bank March 31, of \$34,383.99. Total receipts during the year have been \$65. 944 95, and total expenditures \$37,995. The balance or building fund is \$93,108.79. Judge John Goode of Virginia made an address on the preservation of Jamestown, Va., and at its close a resolution was brought in to ask congress to build a sea-wall to protect the town. An invitation was extended to congress to visit Fort Monroe, Jamestown and Old Point Comfort the Monday after the congress closed and after they reached Fort Monroe they would be the guests of the committee; a large number of the ladies accepted. The Children of the American Revolution held interesting exercises, their president, Mrs. Senator Burrows being absent-Mrs. Daniel Lothrop of Concord, Mass., took her place. President and Mrs. Roosevelt gave a very pleasant and cordial reception to the Daughters. The majority gladly accepted the courteous invitation and enjoyed very much wandering through the various rooms. A few Virginia ladies, who never can forget that Booker T. Washington lunched there stayed away, but two Mississippi Daughters declared they were charmed with the quiet simplicity of manner and dress of Mrs. Roosevelt. The next afternoon Mrs. Fairbanks gave her reception from 5 to 7 p. m. in their spacious parlors and it was a very pleasant social gathering. There were 10 vice-presidentgenerals to be voted for at this congress and it was decided to begin the vote at 8 p. m., but they were not ready until 9.15 p.m. to begin and there were 14 candidates so the ballots were not all cast until after midnight. It was cast by the Australian method, each one dropping her own ballot. The credential committee in charge of the ballots had been up all night to count the votes. Mrs. E. Avery, chairman of the election committee, reported the result at the morning session: 404 ballots had been cast and nine of the 14 candidates were elected, Mrs G. W. Simpson of Massacht setts, Mrs. C. L. Bowman of Connecticut, Mrs. Burnham of New Hampshire, and six others, but there was a tie on the low that no one except the doctor and 10th vice-president-general, there being | my wife was permitted to come into my 235 votes cast for Mrs. Quarles of Wisconsin and Mrs. Little of Rochester, N. Y.; the vote naturally rested between the two candidates and Miss Virginia Miller of the district received 234 votes. New York state desired Mrs. Little to receive the election, but it was stated Mrs. Donald McLean of New York city chapter tavored Miss Miller of the dis trict, who finding her friends had fallen away declined in favor of Mrs. Quarles can be in this city during the winter. Thus the Empire state has no vice-pres. general, for Mrs. Quarles had the majority. Vermont had 14 representatives in the congress. Mrs. Stranahan was ill so Mrs. Estes took her place. St Johnsbury had no delegate this year. Mrs. Clara E. Fuller of the district was elected recording secretary; Mrs. M. E S. Davis was chosen as the treasurer and Mrs. John P. Dolliver, wife of the senator from Iowa, was made historian general. Mrs. E. M. Avery of Toledo, Ohio, was

re-elected editor of the American Month-

ly. Mrs. Fairbanks gave an interesting

sons. The grand stand erected in front large chest used for ballots and the amount has not yet been announced. Mrs. Fairbanks' chapter in Indiana gave \$1,000, the state of Pennsylvania \$1,370 and New York state \$1,950.
Mrs. E. M. C. White reported that the \$50,000 for the prison-ship martyrs of New York would soon be available for use. There is a movement on foot to bring the remains of John Paul Jones to this country for interment from Paris. He was one of our early naval heroes. One of the Massachusetts chapters originated the idea and has been working to bring it to pass. Quite a spirited debate took place whether to give up the recognition pin and, finally it was voted to continue it another year. The Roberts-Huey controversy was brought up and fully discussed. Action has been pending on this question for several years; both prominent society women in Philadelphia, who have been in the courts in that city. The society voted to sustain Miss Huey and congress was glad to dispose of the subject. The desecration of the flag was also brought out by a committee. Mrs. Fairbanks recived quite an ovation at the close and all ecided we had been fortunate in such

Bourke Cockran of New York and John Dalzell of Pennsylvania had an exciting debate in the house. The former is Tammany's eloquent orator and an apostle of free trade, while Dalzell is a republican and a protectionist. There was a good deal of phrase-making and considerable personality indulged in, and Cockran demanded a committee be appointed to investigate the charge of Dalzell that he (Cockran) was a political Hessian and received monetary consideration for his advocacy of McKinley's election. This created a sensation, and the galleries were crowded to suffocation the next day, adherents of both orators thinking they would continue the debate.

Speaker Cannon deterred until the next day his decision on Cockran's appeal calling for a committee to examine the charge whether he had sold his services to the republican party in 1896 by making speeches during the presidential campaign. The speaker ruled that as Mr. Cockran was not a member of the house when the incident in contention took place, his resolution was not privileged. It was not a crime, the speaker declared, and Mr. Cockran was then only a private citizen and the house could not take cognizance of his action. Congressman Williams of Mississippi minority leader of the house, appealed from the decision of the chair, and Repsentative Payne of New York moved that the appeal be laid on the table which motion prevailed. Congressman Grosvenor of Ohio

asked for unanimous consent for a two hours' debate on the Philippine shipping bill, allowing one hour for each side. Representative Littlefield of Maine made a remarkable address, receiving great applause, often from both sides He complimented the democrats on the return of the distinguished orator from New York for his oratorical display and magnificent talents and said it was a pleasure to meet and know him. The moth-eaten argument of free trade had attained a new distinction through his eloquence. But instead of promoting this thought be had made a demagogica attack upon protection; he had mistaken epithet for argument. People do not wish for abstract theories, but results in everyday life. That is what the republican party will stand on in the coming campaign. On Saturday Mr. Cockran declared that free trade, bald and was largely with the artillery. The first bare, would be the issue, but meeting rather a chilly reception. Seventy-two hours later he said it would not be the issue, for the republicans would have control for the next four years in the senate and the democrats could not pass

Mr. Littlefield challenged them to adopt Cockran's doctrines in their platform, and then they would bury democracy so deep in November no plummet could find it.

Tremendous applause followed his ad-

# NARROW ESCAPE OF A WELL-KNOWN

FARMER AND HORSEMAN.

One of the Worst Assaults Known-John H. Robinson Attacked Three Times and Given Up for Dead.

An encounter with highwaymen on a lonely road in Dutchess Co., N.Y., would have been preferable to the experience through which Mr. John H. Robinson, of Manchester Bridge, N. Y., actually passed. In the former case he would doubtless have been quickly relieved of his watch and money, and would have been left in a more or less bruised and dazed state by the roadside. But the loss of valuables would have been relatively small and within a few days he would have recovered from injuries and shock. Besides, such an attack would not be soon, if ever, repeated. Told by himself, his story is as follows:

"I was attacked three times during three years by grip, complicated with pneumonia, and my sufferings were terrible. I had some of the best physicians in the county but none of them could give me any relief from the fearful pains in the back of my head, just at the base of my skull. For two weeks I was so room, and once I was given up for dead."

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Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are such as excellent remedy for the grip and its after-effects, because they expel poison from the blood, supply tonic and nutritive elements to every organ and nerve, and, in short, forward all the processes that tend to rapid and complete recovery. One of the most striking results of the you that they may need attention. use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills in cases of influenza is that the depression, which is such a trying characteristic of the disease and which often takes a suicidal phase, is succeeded by elasticity of to receive contributions. Ladies spirits. This great remedy is sold by all

dress. Congress adjourned at 2 p. m. the next day and many members hastened to leave for their homes.

The Mormon trial has been continued. The Vermont maple sugar party on Tuesday night was a great success nearly 400 persons gathering at the Na-tional Rifles' armory to partake of the good cheer and hear the brilliant adresses from former sons of Vermont They were full of anecdotes and there was a general good time, the speech overflowing with expressions of loyalty to the state and Vermont was idealized

Assistant Secretary of the Navy Darling and Congressman Haskins were among the speakers. A. M. C. Washington, April 29, 1904.

#### The Prosperity Slogan.

The republican party will have plenty of issues to talk about in the next campaign, but Frank B. Tracy points out very clearly in an unpartisan article in the World's Work for May that the voter who is satisfied with present conditions and good times is apt to support the party in power. He illustrates his point by citing Champ Clark's experience in Missouri as follows:

All the anti-imperialistic thunder of 1898 and 1900, and all the high prices of those later years could not prevail against the impression that the party of protection means prosperity. Mr. Champs Clark, the brilliant Missouri democratic congressman, said after the campaign of 1900 that he knew why his party was defeated-an old Missouri democrat at one of his own meetings gave him the key. As Mr. Clark was expatiating on the downfall of the constitution and the perils of the republic involved in the Philippine policy, this old farmer turned to a friend and observed, "Oh, I guess we can stand it as long as cattle is \$4 on the hoof."

The republicans have made prosperity their rallying cry, and it has won. Shrewder campaign maxims were never made than Mr. Hanna's, "Let well enough alone," and "Stand pat." The voter has no knowledge of tariff schedules. You can convince him that this schedule ought to be lowered and that one changed, but he is not going to trust And what is the outlook for the com-

ng campaign? The third parties do not promise to disturb the normal strength of the main parties; and "cattle is still \$4 on the hoof."

#### The Progress of the War.

Two important events in the war have occurred the past week, the sinking of a Japanese transport and a decisive land battle. Two Russian torpedo boats captured the Kinshiu Maru, carrying 400 tons of rice, military stores, 1500 tons of coal and four Hotchkiss guns. Seventeen officers, 85 coolies and 65 sailors were captured and the rest of the crew to the number of nearly 100 were drowned when the ship blew up. The first real battle of the war took place last week and ended Sunday in a victory for the Japanese, after several days' fighting. The Japanese troops met resistance in crossing the Yalu river and the five days of fighting which followed Japanese army under Gen. Kuroki forced their passage of the river, with a gallant infantry charge, covering a frontage of tour miles, and drove the Russians from Chiu-tien-Cheng, which is ten miles north of Antung. After turning the left flank of the Russian army the Japanese swept away the new front interposed by the Russians and silenced the Russian guns on the heights. The losses were about equal, the Russians losing 800 men and the Japanese 700, while the Japanese captured 28 quick-firing guns, 20 Russian officers and some of their troops. The Russians, under command of Gen. Sasslitch, retreated on the road to Lioa-Yang, which is the Pekin road According to the Japanese report these operations were extended over six days of continuous fighting. This tact, with the report of the Russian general as to the ffectiveness of the Japanese artillery in the final struggle, make it plain that the Russians have made a vigorous defense of their positions along the Yalu, that they have failed entirely to prevent the crossing in force of the Japanese, and that they have been driven back by hard and skillful fighting. There was no surprise. There was no indication of any strategic purpose to draw the Jap-anese into a difficult situation. There was a definite and strong effort to stop the Japanese at the Yalu. It has failed. The American Bible League is holding

meetings in New York this week to protest against the attacks of the higher critics upon the inspiration and authencity of the scriptures. Apropos of this gathering, the following incident appeared in the last Congregationalist:

A document in French was recently placed at each United States senator's desk. Senator Tillman said there were not seven men in the senate who would know the Lord's Prayer if they saw it in French. Senator Hoar, who heard this entirely sale guess, added, "Perhaps so, perhaps so; but that would not be because they can't read French."

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